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SUBJECT: REAPPEARANCE OF KIM TAE CHUNG

1. AT 2300 HOURS AUGUST 13 SEOUL MEDIA BEGAN REPORTING THAT KIM TAE CHUNG HAD BEEN RELEASED BY HIS ABDUCTORS AND WAS AT HIS HOME IN SEOUL. THE STORY FIRST BROKE WHEN ANONYMOUS CALLERS CALLED NEWSPAPERS AND RADIO/TV STATIONS ANNOUNCING THAT THEY HAD RELEASED KIM IN THE VICINITY OF HIS HOME.

2. KIM DID RETURN TO HIS HOME AT APPROXIMATELY 2220 HOURS AND LATER TALKED TO PRESS. KIM SAID HE WAS KIDNAPPED, TRANSPORTED BY BOAT TO KOREA, AND KEPT IN TWO HOUSES IN ROK BEFORE HIS CAPTORS RELEASED HIM. KIM SAID THAT BEFORE RELEASING HIM HIS ABDUCTORS DESCRIBED THEMSELVES AS MEMBERS OF "THE SAVE THE NATION LEAGUE" WHICH THEY SAID IS "ANTI-COMMUNIST AND DESIGNED TO PRESERVE DEMOCRACY".

3. KIM'S ACCOUNT OF HIS KIDNAPPING GIVEN FRONT PAGE COVERAGE IN ALL NEWSPAPERS. RADIO/TV GIVING EXTENSIVE COVERAGE AND SHOWING FILM CLIP OF KIM TALKING TO PRESSMEN.

4. EMBASSY IS FORWARDING DETAILS OF KIM'S DESCRIPTION OF ABDUCTION AND SUBSEQUENT EVENTS BY SEPTTEL.

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